

Dr. Williams' office has been removed to the room adjoining the Post office on the south.

Our first snow, since that which was left over from winter, came down to the depth of four or five inches on Monday night last. It soon disappeared, however. This is for the benefit of our "furrin readers."

The new firm of Mann & Bro., of this place, are now opening a well selected stock of Cloths, Casimires, vesting, and etc. which they are prepared to make up to order in the latest styles. They also keep on hand ready made clothing, and all kinds of trimmings, all of which are offered at the very lowest prices. Their advertisement will appear next week.

Read the new advertisement of Thos. Johnson, Mr. J. is well known as a reliable, wide-awake merchant, and when he announces that he has a particularly extra stock of goods on hand, his statement may be depended upon. Call in and take a look at his fine goods, and learn prices.

The Fair held this year by the Perry County Agricultural Society at New Lexington, was largely attended, and more generally satisfactory than any Fair heretofore held by that organization.

Mrs. Winchell, widow of the late Samuel Winchell of this vicinity, died on Thursday morning last at her residence.

The attention of the stockholders of the P. C. L. S. A. & M. A. U. Society, will take notice that an election for Directors of said Society will be held on Saturday, the 29th of November. See the notice of the Secretary, in another part of this paper.

Schwartz, the reliable artist has returned home from a seven week's successful tour of picture taking, and will hereafter be found at the gallery in this place where he is prepared to take all kinds of good pictures, including the new and popular style of pictures known as the French Metallic Plate. During his trip, Schwartz averaged 1700 pictures a week, aggregating in 7 weeks the enormous number of 11,900, which is a pretty good evidence of his popularity as an artist.

Referring to an article which appeared in our last issue in relation to the contest over the lock of contention between the P. C. L. S. A. & M. A. U. Society and the P. C. A. Society, the President of the latter has this to say in reply; in the New Lexington Tribune of the 23d:

If the editor of the Press had been in possession of the facts relating to the above subject, I do not think he would have made any reference to it. It is true that I received seventeen tickets purporting to be complimentary passes to the fall Fair of 1873, and it required the whole number and an extra quarter of a dollar to pass Geo. Esington and myself within the gate. Last year, I gave all the complimentary tickets received from the Perry County Live Stock, Agricultural and Mechanical Art Union Society, to a member of our Board, and the whole batch would not pass him. These facts, and show that complaints from this source are badly unfounded.

Our Society issued no complimentary tickets this year, but the Art Union and all other Agricultural Societies in the neighborhood, know that they are always welcome to our Fairs without charge.

Respectfully,
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If Bro. Esington states the case correctly, we are ready to acknowledge that we were short of facts, bearing upon this important transaction. Before our next issue, however, we shall endeavor to get another hearing from the other side. As the matter stands, it looks a little rough on the P. C. L. S. A. & M. A. U. Society.

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CAMBRIDGE, Oct. 17th 1873.

Editor Somerset Press.
Sirs.—We have been in this town and vicinity, for over two weeks, slaying business for the Singer Company. Cambridge is the county seat of Grafton County, and is pleasantly situated on the R. & O. R. R. It contains about three thousand inhabitants, and strange to say it does not contain a single brick house. It is beautifully ornamented with several very fine churches, and there is being erected a new school house which is to cost \$60,000. It is three stories high contains thirteen large commodious rooms, and is a model house in every particular. It reflects credit on the enterprising citizens of the town and is also very ornamental to the surroundings, the surface of this region is not at all monotonous, as it is beautifully diversified with hills, valleys, and table land. Tobacco is extensively cultivated here, though considerable attention is paid to raising wheat, corn, and other grain. A vast amount of apples are also being shipped from this county; but we have seen but one vineyard in this locality. In as much as we stayed in Kentucky, some time after we wrote to you from that point, we will give you a short history of that region. We had the pleasure of visiting several farms there, one of which was at Germantown, at which place we saw the finest horses and cattle, we have ever seen on exhibition anywhere; we saw the celebrated horse Membrino, owned by Mr. L. H. Lord of New York County, Ky, also Goldust from saddle horse, said to be the finest in the State. We will also mention of W. W. Baldwin's celebrated herd of fine cattle one of which he sold on the fair ground a gentleman of Bloomington, Ill, for the little sum of \$12,000. We also saw the yearling calf, which was bought at the great cattle sale, in New York last September by Mr. A. J. McQuinn for \$10,000. It is the seventh calf of that sort, and a pretty good calf at that, on our way from Massena to Cincinnati, we had to cross a big river, and go six miles, into the country on the Kentucky side, and not feeling disposed to walk that distance, we proceeded to a lively stable for a rig, and upon leaving that the round trip would cost \$4.00, we remarked, that we wanted the best rig in the stable. In a short time the driver drove round to the 'otel, and upon viewing our rig we found we had a good horse, harnessed in the regular style of the country a bridle, girths, reins, collar, harness and a pair of huge rope lines, and a very common buck-board, the whole informing us that the same time that day had cost him as much as a mile trip. Upon arriving at our desired point, we made known our business to the good lady of the house, and after our regular business was dispatched, we sat down for a little while, whereupon a little article of rum, six or seven summers made his appearance with the request that his mamma should comb his head, she seized the comb and the boy held his head over the table, and after combing a time she drew her broad hand flat over the surface of the table which resulted in eating grape pie and crushing the needs. Mace did not stay for dinner.

You Best,
The Rev. Wm. Henry of Dayton, Ohio, general agent of the American Bible Society, will preach at the M. E. Church in this place, at half past ten o'clock, Sabbath morning, November 24th, and in the evening of the same day.

We voluntarily acknowledge this testimony to the virtues of this remedy, and will state our belief that it only needs to become thoroughly known to the public to displace in popularity most of the cough medicines of the day.—Lancaster Gazette.

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